

REMARKS

These remarks are in response to the Office Action mailed June 19, 2003. Claims 33 and 35 have been canceled without prejudice to Applicants' right to prosecute the canceled subject matter in any divisional, continuation, continuation-in-part, or other application. Claims 26, 34, 37, 39, and 50 have been amended. Support for the amendments can be found throughout the specification as filed. Support for the amendments to claims 26 and 50 can be found, for example, in claims 33 and 35 (now canceled) .

I. REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. §112, FIRST PARAGRAPH

Claims 42 and 43 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph as allegedly failing to comply with the written description requirement. Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

Applicants submit that claims 42 and 43 are dependent claims and thus incorporate the subject matter of the independent claim and any intervening claims. Applicants submit that the independent claim (claim 26) satisfies the written description and therefore claims depending therefrom, which further incorporates additional elements, must therefore also satisfy the written description. Furthermore, Applicants submit that "J domain" containing molecules are both structurally and functionally recognized in the art and therefore demonstrate that the inventors had possession of the claimed invention. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the §112 rejection.

II. REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. §103

Claims 26, 29-34, 37-40, and 50 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103 as allegedly unpatentable over Warrick et al. as

evidenced by Paulson. Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

The Examiner indicates at page 17, that claims 35 and 44-46 would be allowable if written in independent form including all the elements of the base claim and any intervening claim.

Applicants have amended claim 26 to include the elements of claims 33 and 35. Thus, claim 26, Applicants' independent claim is allowable and thus any claim depending therefrom is allowable. In addition, claim 50 has been amended to include the elements of claims 33 and 35. Thus, claim 50 is also allowable. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the §103 rejection.

Applicant asks that all claims be allowed. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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